

# Church Camp Fire Update

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### Smoke and Cloud Cover Moderate Fire Activity

Duchesne, Utah – Yesterday, partial cloud cover and smoke from surrounding fires helped to moderate fire activity on the Church Camp Fire. John Kidd, incident commander for the fire, stated, *“Clouds and smoke we received Sunday from the Seeley Fire and other fires to the southwest provided a partial blanket that kept temperatures slightly lower. This cover also allowed humidity levels to remain a few percentages higher than experienced last week. Yesterday, these factors assisted in reducing the overall activity of the fire.”*

Although the cloud cover assisted in reducing temperature and increasing humidity, it also created events of increased sustained winds and wind gusts. At times this caused additional fire spread and some tree torching.

The fire is 55 percent contained and is estimated at 5,950 acres. Crews will be working today to increase this containment through construction of additional line along the northern and southern sections. Additional burnout operations to secure the line along U.S. Hwy 191 will be completed if weather conditions permit.

Structure protection continues to be a priority within Argyle Canyon as fire crews continue to extinguish hot spots within the interior of the fire. The mandatory evacuation for Argyle Canyon and the road closure for Argyle Canyon Road remain in effect.

Hwy 191 remains open. However, travelers are cautioned to be aware of fire traffic and stopping along the highway is not allowed.

There are currently 536 personnel, 21 engines, four helicopters, two dozers, and 10 water tenders assigned to the fire.

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